

REMARKS

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed on October 27, 2005. Currently, Claims 1-23 are pending in the application. Claims 1-23 are subject to a restriction and/or election requirement. Claims 24-26 are new.

Election/Restriction

The Office Action states that the application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species of the claimed invention:

Species 1, illustrated in FIGURES 1 and 2;

Species 2, illustrated in FIGURE 3;

Species 3, illustrated in FIGURE 4;

Species 4, illustrated in FIGURE 5;

Species 5, illustrated in FIGURE 6;

Species 6, illustrated in FIGURES 7 and 8;

Species 7, illustrated in FIGURE 9.

Applicant elects, without traverse, Species 2, illustrated in FIGURE 3.

Claims 1, 19, and 23 are generic. Claims 1-3, 15-20, 23, and newly added Claims 24-26 read on the elected species.

Claim Amendments and New Claims

Claims 14 and 18 are amended to correct typographical errors, and not for any reason related to patentability. Claims 24-26 are new, and are directed to the elected species.

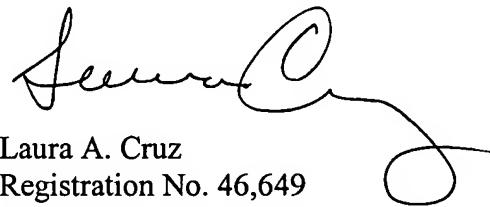
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CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that Claims 1-26 are allowable. If the Examiner has any further questions or comments, the Examiner may contact the applicant's attorney at the number provided below.

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